

CITY of BEAVERTON

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CITY OF BEAVERTON LAUNCHES NEW RECYCLING DAY

- Bring Your 'Hard to Recycle' Items to this Free Event on Saturday, June 13 -

Beaverton, Oregon (June 5, 2009) – The City of Beaverton, together with the Beaverton Committee for Citizen Involvement (BCCI) and Beaverton's Neighborhood Association Committees (NACs) will hold the first-ever, free **Beaverton Recycling Day on Saturday, June 13 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 3950 SW Cedar Hills Blvd.** (at SW Westgate Dr.) Hard to recycle items, such as television sets, computers, appliances and batteries, will be accepted.

"The City of Beaverton is committed to reducing waste and improving our environment," said **Mayor Denny Doyle**. "The new Recycling Day is an easy way to make sure that these hard to recycle materials are reused rather than thrown in the trash."

Call for Volunteers!

The City of Beaverton's Recycling Day is also a fundraising opportunity for your Neighborhood Association Committee (NAC). If you'd like to help raise funds for your neighborhood projects, such as block parties and benches, contact Jason Wachs at the City of Beaverton, (503) 526-2543 to volunteer. Funds will be distributed to each NAC based on the number of volunteers who participate. Find out which NAC you belong to at www.BeavertonOregon.gov/NAC.

Bring a Food Donation!

Beaverton Recycling Day is a FREE event, but you're invited to help Take Care of Beaverton by bringing a nonperishable food donation for Beaverton residents who need help getting through these tough times. Items will be donated to a local food pantry through the Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce Leadership Beaverton program.

Thank You to Our Partners

Thank you to the following organizations for helping to make Beaverton Recycling Day possible: Environmental Protection Services, E-Tech Recycling, Inc., Goodwill Industries, Pacific Land Clearing, Washington County Bicycle Transportation Coalition, Waste Management, Beaverton Committee for Citizen Involvement, your Neighborhood Association Committee (NAC), the City of Beaverton and the committed volunteers in our community.

Recycling Day takes the place of the former garbage Clean-Up Day which has been recycled into this new, more sustainably focused event. More information about Recycling Day can be found on the City of Beaverton's Web site, www.BeavertonOregon.gov/recycling, by calling (503) 526-2665 or (503) 526-2543 or sending an email to recyclingmail@ci.beaverton.or.us.

What to Bring to Recycling Day

The City of Beaverton reserves the right to refuse oversized, commercial, or contaminated loads. No garbage, yard debris or hazardous waste will be accepted. Loads should be safely secured.

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YES! please bring the following:	SORRY, but we can't take these:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Television Sets: all (working or not) • Computers and Monitors: desktops, laptops, monitors, boards, cards, RAM, ROM, power supplies, processors, hard drives, floppy drives, etc. (working or not) • Cell Phones and Accessories: phones, chargers, accessories • Other Electronics: printers, fax machines, scanners, cable equipment, mice, keyboards, modems, routers, telephones, DVD players, VCRs, cable and satellite boxes, music players, copiers, etc. • Wires and Cables: insulated cable, wire harnesses, cable assemblies (copper and aluminum) • Batteries: alkaline, rechargeable, lead acid • Printer Cartridges: laser, inkjet, (no toner) • Fluorescent Lighting: fluorescent tubes, compact fluorescent lamps (no broken tubes or lamps) • Appliances: stoves, refrigerators, small appliances, microwaves, air conditioners, washers, dryers, etc. • Metal: scrap metal, iron, steel, aluminum, brass, copper, ferrous and non-ferrous metals, lawnmowers (no oil, gas or batteries), auto parts, BBQs (no propane tanks), water heaters, wood stoves, etc. • Reusable Household Goods and Textiles: clothing, linens and other miscellaneous home goods in usable condition, furniture items, miscellaneous goods • Cardboard: flattened (no waxed cardboard) • Bicycles and Helmets: bikes (in any condition), helmets (in good condition) • Styrofoam: #6 block foam and packing peanuts, colored or white. (No hot beverage cups, fast food containers, egg cartons or meat trays.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Garbage: Including household garbage, carpet, area rugs, tires, used building materials or fixtures, garden hoses, car seats, cribs, mattresses, hide-a-beds, furniture in need of reupholstering, etc. <i>Call your hauler directly or (503) 526-2665 for more information if these items do not fit in your curbside garbage collection. There may be charges for these oversized or special pick-up services.</i> • No Yard Debris: Including tree branches, leaves, grass clippings, weeds, garden waste, etc. <i>Call your hauler directly or (503) 526-2665 for more information if these items do not fit in your curbside yard debris roll-cart. Additional charges may apply.</i> • No Curbside Recyclables: Newspaper, mixed paper, glass, metal and plastic bottles and tubs, and motor oil, etc. <i>These items can be recycled in your weekly curbside recycling service or by taking them to a recycling depot; call (503) 526-2665 for information.</i> • No Hazardous Waste: Including anti freeze, household chemicals, motor oil, oil filters, cooking oil, oil based paint, pesticides, herbicides, solvents, propane tanks, medical waste. <i>Metro transfer stations accept hazardous waste, from residents and businesses. For more information, visit www.oregonmetro.gov or call (503) 234-3000.</i>

About Beaverton's Recycling Program

The City of Beaverton was recognized as the Recycler of the Year in 2008 by the Association of Oregon Recyclers. Beaverton residents and businesses have one of the strongest, most progressive recycling programs in Oregon. Beaverton offers weekly recycling collection, apartment recycling tote bag and business Recycle at Work programs. As part of a region-wide effort to increase business recycling, a new business recycling requirement requiring recycling of paper, cardboard and containers went into effect in April 2009. During the implementation phase, through October 2010, the Recycle at Work program will offer additional assistance to businesses in setting up, expanding or maintaining their recycling programs.

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